Exertional Intolerance in Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Insights from Invasive Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing

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NEEDS ASSESSMENT
Myalgic encephalomyelitis /chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS), is a common, clinically devastating disorder whose pathogenesis is poorly understood. Because of the nonspecific symptoms and evaluation across disparate medical specialties, this number is thought to be an underestimate and may actually approach $23 billion in direct and indirect costs to society. Invasive cardiopulmonary exercise testing offers insights into ME/CFS and may explain the pathophysiology explaining exertional intolerance in this patient population.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this activity, participants will:
1. Learn about invasive cardiopulmonary exercise testing
2. Understand the differential diagnosis behind unexplained dyspnea.
3. Learn that pathophysiology demonstrated during exercise testing may explain ME/CFS

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